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<p>1. This report is the international preliminary examination report, established by this International Preliminary Examining Authority under Article 35 and transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.</p> <p>2. This REPORT consists of a total of <u>4</u> sheets, including this cover sheet.</p> <p>3. This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, comprising:</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> (<i>sent to the applicant and to the International Bureau</i>) a total of _____ sheets, as follows:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications authorized by this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> sheets which supersede earlier sheets, but which this Authority considers contain an amendment that goes beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed, as indicated in item 4 of Box No. I and the Supplemental Box.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> (<i>sent to the International Bureau only</i>) a total of (indicate type and number of electronic carrier(s)) _____, containing a sequence listing and/or tables related thereto, in computer readable form only, as indicated in the Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing (see Section 802 of the Administrative Instructions).</p>																								
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Box No. I

Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:

international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))
 publication of the international application (Rule 12.4)
 international preliminary examination (Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on (replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report):

the international application as originally filed/furnished
 the description:

pages _____ as originally filed/furnished

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

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the claims:

nos. _____ as originally filed/furnished

nos.* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19

nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____

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the drawings:

sheets _____ as originally filed/furnished

sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____

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a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) – see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.

3. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

the description, pages _____
 the claims, nos. _____
 the drawings, sheets/figs _____
 the sequence listing (specify): _____
 any table(s) related to sequence listing (specify): _____

4. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

the description, pages _____
 the claims, nos. _____
 the drawings, sheets/figs _____
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* If item 4 applies, some or all of those sheets may be marked "superseded."

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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-39	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-39	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-39	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: JP 10-271573 A (Sony Corp.), 9 October 1998

Document 2: JP 2001-217846 A (Toshiba Corp.), 10 August 2001

Claims 1-20

Document 1 (paragraphs [0031]-[0039]; fig. 1-4) discloses providing a remote control that receives an ID code from a TV receiver and assesses whether the ID code received is the same as the ID code received earlier and the feature wherein said TV receiver is provided with an IR light-emitting unit for transmitting the ID code of the device to said remote control.

Document 2 (paragraphs [0104]-[0148]; fig. 16) discloses a system that encrypts and then transmits and receives images and sound, wherein a TV receiver remote control receives a first VTR public key from a first VTR and transmits said first VTR public key to a second VTR.

However, an encrypted code management system comprising a plurality of data processing devices that send and receive data encrypted using a specific encryption code, wherein said system is provided with an electronic device constituted by a code management control unit that compares received encryption code and a

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result output unit that outputs the comparison results to the code management control unit is neither disclosed nor suggested in document 1 or 2.

Claim 21-25

An encryption code management system provided with an electronic device comprising a code data management unit that transmits encryption code comparison data in the management control unit to a data processing device and with a data processing device comprising a code management receiving unit that receives comparison data from said electronic device and a result output unit that outputs comparison results received by said code management receiving unit is neither disclosed nor suggested in documents 1 and 2.

Claims 26-39

An encryption code management system provided with an electronic device comprising a code storage unit for storing one or multiple code(s) received by the code receiving unit and a code management transmission unit that transmits said encryption code stored in said code storage unit to a data processing device and with a data processing device comprising a code management receiving unit for receiving comparison results from said electronic device, a management control unit for comparing the encryption code received by the code management receiving unit with the encryption code from the device, and a result output unit to output the results compared with the code management control unit is neither disclosed nor suggested in documents 1 and 2.